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Press report

Freedom Industries Inc., the now-bankrupt company behind last month's West Virginia chemical spill, said that it is cooperating with the grand jury investigation of the spill and said it needs to hire a firm to help with gathering and preserving its electronic records, Dow Jones *Daily Bankruptcy Review* reported today. Along with the grand jury subpoena from the U.S. Justice Department, Freedom also said that the West Virginia Attorney General and several parties suing the company have asked for it to preserve its electronic records. Freedom filed for chapter 11 protection after being hit with about 20 lawsuits from individuals and business claiming damages from the environmental accident, in which about 10,000 gallons of a coal-treatment chemical spilled from a Freedom-owned site into the Elk River.